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Applicant : MINORU HASHIDA, et al.
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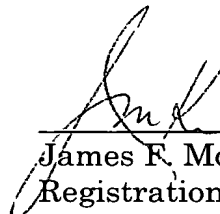
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Sir:

In light of the recent telephone exchange between the undersigned and Examiner Melwani, it is understood that a new Office Action will be issued to consider the Reply filed on December 23, 2003, along with a Request for Continued Examination. It appears that the latter document was not before the Examiner when issuing the Advisory Action mailed January 27, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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